

COMMON NAME

SCIENTIFIC NAME

Nevada

SOURCE: Nevada Administrative Code, Chapter 445A, Standards for Water Quality, September 2000:
<http://www.ndep.state.nv.us/nac/445a119.pdf>

NAC 445A.119 Criteria for water quality for designated beneficial uses. The water quality criteria for designated beneficial uses for the various waters of the state are in the following table.

[NOTE: In this section of NV's standards, the table titled *Water Quality Criteria for Designated Beneficial*

Uses includes Aquatic Life with the following levels: Warmwater: propagation and put and take and Coldwater: propagation and put and take.]

NAC 445A.122 Standards applicable to beneficial uses.

1. The following standards are intended to protect both existing and designated beneficial uses and must not be used to prohibit the use of the water as authorized under Title 48 of NRS:
 - (c) Aquatic life. The water must be suitable as a habitat for fish and other aquatic life existing in a body of water. This does not preclude the reestablishment of other fish or aquatic life.
 - (h) Propagation of wildlife. The water must be suitable for the propagation of wildlife and waterfowl without treatment.
 - (i) Waters of extraordinary ecological or aesthetic value. The unique ecological or aesthetic value of the water must be maintained.

NAC 445A.124 Class A waters: Description; beneficial uses; quality standards.

1. Class A waters include waters or portions of waters located in areas of little human habitation, no industrial development or intensive agriculture and where the watershed is relatively undisturbed by man's activity.
2. The beneficial uses of class A waters are... aquatic life, propagation of wildlife, irrigation, watering of livestock, recreation including contact with the water and recreation not involving contact with the water.

NAC 445A.125 Class B waters: Description; beneficial uses; quality standards.

1. Class B waters include waters or portions of waters which are located in areas of light or moderate human habitation, little industrial development, light-to-moderate agricultural development and where the watershed is only moderately influenced by man's activity.
2. The beneficial uses of class B water are ...aquatic life and propagation of wildlife, recreation involving contact with the water...

NAC 445A.126 Class C waters: Description; beneficial uses; quality standards.

1. Class C waters include waters or portions of waters which are located in areas of moderate-to-urban human habitation, where industrial development is present in moderate amounts, agricultural practices are intensive and where the watershed is considerably altered by man's activity.
2. The beneficial uses of class C water are ... aquatic life, propagation of wildlife...

NAC 445A.127 Class D waters: Description; beneficial uses; quality standards.

1. Class D waters include waters or portions of waters located in areas of urban development, highly industrialized or intensively used for agriculture or a combination of all the above and where effluent sources include a multiplicity of waste discharges from the highly altered watershed.
2. The beneficial uses of class D waters are ... aquatic life, propagation of wildlife...